2022 Legislative Priorities



Prenatal exposure to alcohol is a complex public health issue that impacts us all. Alcohol exposure during pregnancy is a major cause of preventable brain injury, birth defects, learning problems and growth issues. As many as 1 in 20 children have a fetal alcohol spectrum disorder (FASD).[1] Here at Proof Alliance, we work to prevent FASD and support all impacted. We recognize barriers families face and our legislative priorities hope to address these issues so that we can better serve the FASD community.



Recess for All

HF 3402 SF TBD

We are proud to support this bill championed by Arc Minnesota, the Multicultural Autism Action Network(MAAN) and many other organizations. We strongly believe that students in elementary school should never be excluded from recess to punish or discipline the student. Recess shouldn't have to be "earned" by kids with FASD and other disabilities. Studies show recess contributes positively to the academic and behavioral performance of students.



Inclusive Higher Education

HF 4210 SF TBD

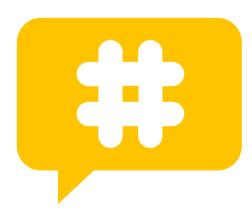
Expanding access to inclusive higher education will help more young adults with an FASD earn meaningful credentials, secure employment at competitive wages and live in homes of their own. Providing technical assistance and grant funding to institutions of higher education statewide can help advance access to postsecondary education in Minnesota.



Increase in funding for FASD prevention programs

HF 4076 SF 3574

We are advocating for increased funding for FASD prevention programs that support pregnant and parenting women with histories of alcohol use disorders by providing community-based recovery support services that are culturally appropriate and trauma-informed.



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[1] May et al. Prevalence of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders in 4 US Communities. JAMA. 2018;319(5): 474-482.

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